

94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2005 and 2006 SB2849

Introduced 1/20/2006, by Sen. Jeffrey M. Schoenberg

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

30 ILCS 265/10

Amends the Technology Development Act. Provides that no greater than 3% (now, 1%) of the Treasurer's investment portfolio at the time of investment (now, at any time) may be segregated in the Technology Investment Account. Provides that the Treasurer's investment in a fund created by an Illinois venture capital firm may not exceed 15% (now, 10%) of total investments in the venture capital fund. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY 1 AN ACT concerning finance.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Technology Development Act is amended by changing Section 10 as follows:
- 6 (30 ILCS 265/10)

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- 7 Sec. 10. Technology Development Account.
 - (a) The State Treasurer may segregate a portion of the Treasurer's investment portfolio, that at the time of investment no time shall be no greater than 3% 1% of the portfolio, in the Technology Development Account, an account that shall be maintained separately and apart from other moneys invested by the Treasurer. The Treasurer may make investments from the Account that help attract, assist, and retain quality technology businesses in Illinois. The earnings on the Account shall be accounted for separately from other investments made by the Treasurer.
 - (b) Moneys in the Account may be invested by the State Treasurer to provide venture capital to technology businesses seeking to locate, expand, or remain in Illinois by placing money with Illinois venture capital firms for investment by the venture capital firms in technology businesses. "Venture capital", as used in this Act, means equity financing that is provided for starting up, expanding, or relocating a company, or related purposes such as financing for seed capital, research and development, introduction of a product or process into the marketplace, or similar needs requiring risk capital. "Technology business", as used in this Act, means a company that has as its principal function the providing of services including computer, information transfer, communication, administrative, processing, distribution, laboratory, experimental, developmental, technical, testing services,

- 1 manufacture of goods or materials, the processing of goods or 2 materials by physical or chemical change, computer related 3 activities, robotics, biological or pharmaceutical industrial activity, or technology oriented or emerging industrial 4 5 activity. "Illinois venture capital firms", as used in this 6 Act, means an entity that has a majority of its employees in Illinois or that has at least one managing partner domiciled in 7 8 Illinois that has made significant capital investments in Illinois companies and that provides equity financing for 9 starting up or expanding a company, or related purposes such as 10 11 financing for seed capital, research and development, 12 introduction of a product or process into the marketplace, or 13 similar needs requiring risk capital.
- (c) Any fund created by an Illinois venture capital firm in which the State Treasurer places money pursuant to this Act shall be required by the State Treasurer to seek investments in technology businesses seeking to locate, expand, or remain in Illinois.
- (d) The investment of the State Treasurer in any fund created by an Illinois venture capital firm in which the State Treasurer places money pursuant to this Act shall not exceed 15% 10% of the total investments in the fund.
 - (e) The State Treasurer shall not invest more than one-third of the Technology Development Account in any given calendar year.
- 26 (f) The Treasurer may deposit no more than 10% of the 27 earnings of the investments in the Technology Development 28 Account into the Technology Development Fund.
- 29 (Source: P.A. 94-395, eff. 8-1-05.)

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30 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 31 becoming law.